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Justin Odenthal photo

Sophomore forward Colleen O'Connell connects a header against a University of Mary Washington defender in a game they won 3-2. The Gulls advanced to the Capital Athletic Conference championship against St. Mary's on Saturday and won 1-0.

Graduate assistants achieve tax equality

BY JAMES TOWSEND

Staff Writer

The newly-formed Graduate Student Council has scored its first victory, after weeks of campaigning for financial equality among graduate assistants.

The council, spearheaded earlier this semester by former Student Government Association President Julia Glanz, organized a movement among graduate students to reassess the tax code involving graduate assistant classifications at Salisbury University.

"There are three types of Graduate Assistants: research, teaching and administrative," Glanz said.

According to code, research and teaching assistants do not pay taxes on tuition remission, as working for the university waives tuition costs. However, administrative assistants are not included in this exemption.

"Administrative assistants were making \$87 every two weeks instead of the \$250 they should have been receiving," Glanz said. "We can't live off that. Sure, we get it back when we file our taxes, but rent isn't going to wait for that."

When looking into the classifications, the council found that administrative assistants fell short for lacking the education value that teaching and researching had.

"You can't tell me the assistants working in Student Activities and other departments aren't constantly teaching and mentoring undergrads," Glanz said. "University of Maryland doesn't even have these distinctions, so we appealed."

The council first sought support from faculty and staff to back them in their efforts.

"It was overwhelming how much support faculty gave us," said James Russell, a graduate student on the council.

"They were fired up. I mean, really fired up."

Graduate students wrote letters to the president's office, personalized appeals and petitioned faculty, staff and students for signatures.

"It really unified us," Glanz said. "Half the grad students who helped us weren't even directly affected by the issue. We could have struck if we had to."

Their efforts were cut short when SU's Vice President of Administration and Finance Betty Crockett brought the issue to the university system level. The proposal eventually reached the desk of Maryland's Attorney General Doug Gansler, who made a ruling in the council's favor, equalizing the tax burden among graduate assistants.

"We're very happy about the decision," said graduate student Morgan Feldman. "I don't think they saw students' faces when they were making decisions like these. When we got involved, the issue moved so much faster."

However, the council insisted this is just the start.

They plan on increasing their representation in university decisions, reassessing graduate student fees and talking about the possibility of health benefits and pay increase.

"It's embarrassing how low (our pay) is compared to other schools," Feldman said. "It adds up to about \$500 per month. That barely covers rent. GAs are paid for 20 hours a week, but most work well over that. Athletics assistants work at least 60 hours per week. We're already saving the university so much money."

After a solid victory, the council is confident in their influence.

"If we were to not show up to work one day, the campus would simply not function," Glanz said. "That's how much the university relies on graduate assistants."

"And that's probably underestimated," she added.

The law will go into effect in 2012 instead of in 2014 when it was originally intended to be enacted by Congress.

It states that a person who wants a student loan backed by the government would be able to get loans directly from the United States government or the Federal Family Education Loan Program.

These loans can be consolidated, and the maximum interest will decline by a half percentage point. The minimum payment on student loans will be reduced from 15 percent to 10 percent of discretionary income.

The loans offered by the Federal Family Education Loan Program were typically given out by private sectors.

Private sectors, such as banks, have been able to give out loans with higher interest rates and a shorter repayment deadline.

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Obama plan to relieve debt

BY LESLIE ROANE

Staff Writer

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University applicant pool strongest yet

BY COREY NETHEN
Staff Writer

The wingspan of the Salisbury University Sea Gull continues to expand.

"SU continues to attract stronger and stronger academic students and from a greater distance," said Admissions Director Aaron Basko.

Despite the fact that the number of high school graduates in Maryland and the surrounding states has declined, SU's application rate continues to grow.

A competitively low in-state tuition price draws in many candidate students. The newest buildings like the Perdue School of Business and Sea Gull Square also come across as eye-opening, future opportunities.

This year's freshman application pool surpassed 8,000 applications for the first time. An increase of more than 7 percent of transfer applications added to a total of more than 10,000 applications for freshmen and transfer students, Basko said.

"I really liked the idea of small class sizes. Good student-to-teacher ratio is definitely important, and I heard great things about the professors here," said freshman Leo Lichtenberger.

While the academics at SU have a known reputation, the school is known for a few other tendencies.

"Everyone has heard Salisbury is a party school," Lichtenberger said.

With that said, not everyone that can bong a beer will receive the opportunity to become a Sea Gull. Admission to SU is considered selective, with approximately 52 percent of freshman applications accepted.

"The applicant pool has become increasingly diverse geographically,"

Basko said. "This year we saw a nearly 15 percent increase in applicants from outside of Maryland. People from all over the region are starting to recognize that SU provides a great education at a reasonable price. Some of our out-of-state students find that coming here is the same cost, or even less, than if they stayed in state."

The number of out-of-state students in this year's freshman class jumped by over 31 percent, and out-of-state transfers increased by over 17 percent. International enrollment also increased.

"There's going to be minorities at every school," said freshman Colin Cochran. "But overall I feel like our school is still working on enrolling more diverse students."

Academic quality has also continued to rise. Over the last three years, the average SAT for incoming freshmen has risen by 30 points. The average for this fall's class was 1711. The average weighted GPA is also at a historic high of 3.66.

"This fall we also saw the highest number of scholarship-level student ever," Basko said. "The university has really increased the visibility of opportunities for engaged learning in areas like research, study abroad and service. These are all things that top-notch students want."

SU's overall enrollment was up slightly this fall, due partly to a stronger than expected response from transfer and graduate students and also to a higher retention rate.

"Demand has been really strong for a Salisbury education," Basko said. "Students love the campus and the strong sense of community, and I think they're getting the sense that SU is getting more and more regional and national attention."

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Artwork by Adora Bowman

Faculty vocalize campus concerns

BY KATELYN DRAPER
Staff Writer

From the issue of Gull Card replacement fees and parking costs to the suggestion of free meals in the commons, faculty, staff and students gathered last Thursday to voice their concerns and suggestions to boost campus morale.

The tiered Perdue Hall auditorium was a packed house for the Campus Consortium, hosted by Salisbury University President Janet Dudley-Eshbach. Among the crowd was Beth Ragan, coordinator of anthropology and a faculty senator, representing all the academic schools on campus. One of Ragan's biggest concerns is the lack of community amongst faculty members.

"We used to go on picnics together and now people in my own department don't even say hello to me," Ragan said.

Ragan and other faculty members asked the same question: how can faculty come together in the midst of their heavy workloads?

The faculty agreed that their work load is straining not only their time but their health. A few faculty members suggested working four days a week to alleviate the strenuous 8-to-5 work day. Dudley-Eshbach proposed a test run of the idea during the summer semester.

But for the here and now, suggestions of free employee screening assessments and stress management programs surfaced. Since most faculty spend their time at desks, the idea of conducting a work flow study based on the environment of the working space would increase comfort and attitude as well as relieve what one professor called "mouse elbow."

Kelly Fiala, professor of health and sports sciences, proposed the possibility of even organizing a "Biggest Loser on Campus" event

stemmed from NBC's hit television show, "The Biggest Loser," a competition to see who could lose the most weight.

A common concern regarded the lack of raises and the unfair pay among professors, considering the amount of time faculty spend working for the university.

"We have no money for raises but money to hire incoming staff at competitive rates," said mathematics professor Kathleen Shannon. "We decide to spend our dollars that way and it was made without discussion."

Dudley-Eshbach explained that she has requested a study regarding faculty salaries to be conducted and completed by April.

"I want to be sure we're making decisions in a systematic way and not just addressing squeaky wheels," Dudley-Eshbach said.

Dudley-Eshbach shared her concern with the inadequacy of Blackwell Library, which has surpassed its capacity of 2,600 students and the lack of air conditioning in Maggs Gym. One student in the crowd, drawn to SU for its beautiful campus, questioned if portions of the \$6 million dollars of funding spent on Perdue Hall could have gone to repairing the library and gym.

Dudley-Eshbach explained that there are two separate laws and processes for capital funding, and money has to be spent on what it was given for. She noticed that SU was not receiving its share of capital funds when she arrived at the university and so she takes pride in the construction efforts of Perdue Hall and Sea Gull Square.

"I think we're doing pretty damn good," Dudley-Eshbach said.

The consortium will soon be offered online to continue voicing suggestions and concerns and to monitor progress.

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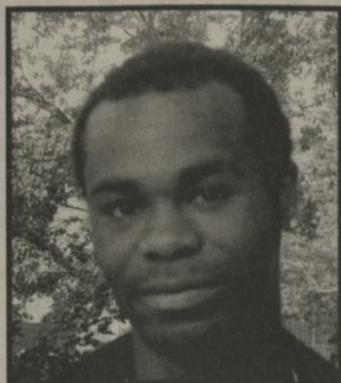
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EDITORIAL

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Overheard: What issues would you like the University to address?

Photos by Danielle Duplain



"To be honest, everything seems fine, like everyone's enjoying themselves which gives you the same analogous feeling."

-Marquis Morgan, sophomore



"I'd just like to see some improvement on Gullnet and how you sign up for classes."

-Christine Distefano, freshman



"... All the chalk writing on the ground. Some of it can be a little offensive. It's hard sometimes going around campus and seeing things you and your peers might not be OK with."

-Ryan Russel, freshman



"As far as safety goes, we're pretty good. I like the call buttons."

-Matavka Ikachana, sophomore



"I feel safe here, but sometimes when I go home late and call the police, they don't answer."

-Cher Kuang, freshman

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The debilitating hangover and why professors should care



BY PETE HICKS

Editorial Editor

Everyone who has ever been hung-over can say, it is nearly impossible to function when the symptoms of a hangover hit.

A hangover's effects can be as mild as slight fatigue, but can reach any combination of horrific symptoms such as headaches, sensitivity to light and sound, redness of eyes, muscle aches, thirst, increased heart rate, high blood pressure, tremors, sweating, dizziness, anxiety, irritability, depression and nausea, according to the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

A student working under these conditions will not accomplish anything by going to class. According to the NIAAA, a hangover "may impair task performance," so any kind of note-taking becomes use-

less. But still, professors will not excuse a student's absence because of a hangover. The students are sick and should not be docked points in class because of the fact that their body is impaired.

Opponents of the 'hangover-is-a-sickness' theory would say that it is the students' fault for drinking in the first place. While this is true, what more can you expect from a university student on a Thursday night than to drink?

"Thirsty Thursday" is as much a part of college culture as school mascots and campus events. Drinking on Thursdays is an event that people get ready for all week long. To ask a student not to participate in this cultural norm is basically

asking said student to become socially isolated.

Hangovers are also proven to cause decreased concentration and attention. Any activity done in class with a hangover is useless from the start. Students with hangovers should be able to miss class without the threat of a falling grade.

Professors should still teach, and students that are out with hangovers should be expected to make up the work that they missed on a later date. But when students can't supply a note from Health Services to explain their absence, professors who take attendance, and count attendance for credit, should accept the fact that students will be out on Friday mornings.

Do sexual advertisements sell women short?



BY ABIGAIL COLBY

Party Girl Problems Columnist

The phrase "sex sells" seems about as old as advertising itself.

It's almost common knowledge that the second you throw cleavage or bare legs onto some marketing device, consumer interest takes a turn in the right direction.

One of the post-speech questions asked to Gansler was about the Westboro Baptist Church and whether they should be protected by the first amendment. He said he disagrees with the Supreme Court's decision in Snyder v. Phelps, in which the Supreme Court ruled that the Westboro Baptist Church does not have the right to protest. He helped represent the family of Matthew Snyder, a marine from Westminister, Md., whose funeral the church protested.

A few issues Gansler talked about is the progress of same-sex marriage in Maryland.

Same-sex marriage is "the fastest growing social issue I can ever remember," he said.

He thinks the ability to marry the person who you love is not only a civil right but a human right. Gansler predicted that same-sex marriage will pass in the Maryland legislature next year, but said that it will most likely go to referendum, which means people will vote on the issue.

During the speech, Gansler talked about a good number of civil rights issues, including free speech, gun ownership rights, same-sex marriage rights, campaign finance laws, environmental laws and the right to privacy in the Internet age.

On the issue of free speech, Gansler described it as "the most sacred right in our country." However, he said that there are some constraints on freedom of speech that do not violate the constitution that are emerging in the Internet age.

For example, he said the attorney general is the "policeman of the Internet," and last year there was an online brothel taken off of Craigslist. He used this as an example of a situation where freedom of speech can be curbed and as an example of how the Internet is changing the right to privacy in the United States.

He also used an example of the number of proposed pieces of legislation that are intended to fight cyberbullying as another constitutional way that freedom of speech may be curbed.

The speech was well-received by the audience.

"He gave a wonderful speech. He's very funny, and he did a great job," junior Christina Sesok said.

After the speech, I asked Gansler about what he would say to the current Republican presidential candidates who claim that environmental regulations are unconstitutional.

"Just because you disagree with something, that does not make it unconstitutional," he said.

No matter what, or who, you're

In response to Will Obama's approval ratings improve?

BY SEAN ADKINS

Junior

Pete Hicks,

I think that your editorial in this week's edition of *The Flyer* fails to address the question you have posed in the article's title.

You haven't noted that while his approval ratings are low, his approval rating based on being commander-in-chief specifically is quite high. And in comparison to other great presidents, his approval ratings aren't even close to being as low as Reagan or Clinton's (Gallup).

If you compare GDP growth and approval ratings, you would see how closely correlated they are (with some exceptions such as Sept. 11 and the Iran Hostage Crisis).

In addition, I think it is worth noting the historically low approval ratings of Congress as well, which



GREEK SPEAK

Homecoming events overlooked in lieu of Punkin Chunkin



BY CHRIS CASTLE
Inter-Fraternity Council Correspondent

For the fraternities, Homecoming is a time to reconnect with their chapter's alumni and show their school spirit.

Unfortunately, this year the infamous Punkin Chunkin falls on the same weekend as Homecoming, and it has taken priority over Homecoming for many of the fraternities. Several

chapters have planned to ride buses and meet up with alumni at the event, without much regard to the events on campus.

It takes some organization to fill a bus, so it was clearly a choice made weeks ago. Greeks typically take pride in their campus activities, so why is it that they chose Punkin Chunkin over Homecoming?

"It just sounds more appealing than an SGA block party," said junior Nate Smith. "Besides, we'll still meet up with the alumni when we get there."

Everyone looks forward to both events. It has never been a problem in the past and shouldn't be in the future.

The Greeks are having their own Homecoming event the following week. The sororities are hosting a powder puff football game where the fraternities will be coaches, referees and cheerleaders.

To show unity as Greeks, the teams will be a mixture of every sorority, as well as the fraternities' cheering squads.

SU student Victoria Brannock conveys imagination through art



BY AJLA ALLEN
Staff Writer

Excitement of the imagination is a proven motivator for the human race.

Salisbury University is a proponent of that ideal. The university is home to hundreds of bright, young, talented students.

Student-frequented areas such as Guerrini University Center, Fulton Hall and Henson Hall are adorned with student artwork as an attempt to remind on-lookers of inner passion.

Senior Victoria Brannock makes it her duty to convey the power of imagination with her paintings.

Brannock is an art major striving to recreate the beauty in her artistic mind on one lucky canvas. Several of her oil paintings have been showcased on campus for many weeks. Art has its own distinguished significance entirely, and it can never be less important than other subjects.

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Bad Advice :By Jordan

Dear Jordan,

I went out for Halloween this year and my top felt a little tight, but it looked so cute that I just didn't care. Well, I went out to the bar and started dancing when my buttons snapped and my top completely fell off on the dance floor. I am absolutely mortified! Luckily, I was wearing a bra, but what should I do as far as damage control?

-Exposed

Dear Exposed:

That was you? Just kidding- but yes, I agree that is appalling and will definitely require major damage control to recover your pristine reputation.

Here is what I suggest:

- Wait until The Commons is really packed then stand on the table with a megaphone and publicly apologize to anyone that was offended by your indecent exposure.
- Write a formal letter of apology to the bar for exposing your bare bra. Be sensitive to the fact that they are probably not used to seeing girls losing their shirts... especially on Halloween.
- If it makes you feel better, my bunny costume gave me major bun cleavage which I wasn't particularly fond of. It was Halloween, kid! If you didn't embarrass yourself at least once this weekend, you weren't going hard enough. Just laugh it off like everyone else and get over it.

If the people are still outraged, try the following:

- Transfer schools. I wouldn't even try another campus in Maryland. Chances are, word has spread about your bra's shocking appearance.
- Let's be honest- the guys weren't looking at your face. Get a boob job so they won't recognize you or your girls.

To seek bad advice from Jordan, email your question to thesuflyerblog@gmail.com

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Dancer overcomes asthma, wins scholarship

BY KRISTINA JACKEREAS
Staff Writer

asthma and are pursuing a higher education.

Asthma can put strain on physical activity, but it doesn't stop freshman Victoria Danna from putting on her dancing shoes.

Danna was one of two girls who won the \$5,000 Will to Win scholarship sponsored by Merck Respiratory. According to Merck, the scholarships were awarded to "outstanding high school seniors who were disciplined, determined and successful in managing their

asthma later on during life. Sure enough, I developed asthma as I grew older. Asthma has been a challenge with dance, especially in the summer. I make sure I always use my inhaler before I perform at Frontier Town."

For the past three summers, Danna has worked as a Can-Can Dancer at Frontier Town (Western Theme Park) in Berlin, Md.

Her manager, Francene Kennedy, said that if anyone deserved this scholarship, it is Danna.

"She is very dependable, and I have

even let her take care of my two-year-old, so clearly I trust her and believe that she is a great person," Kennedy said. "She puts all into everything she does and always helps to train the new dancers who come to Frontier Town every spring."

Danna has studied a variety of dance forms including jazz, tap, ballroom, and Hip-Hop.

"She really deserves something like this," Colson said. "She's an amazing dancer regardless of her asthma."

Sam Colson, freshman exercise science major and Danna's suitemate, said she admires her friend's hard work.

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Block party wraps up homecoming week



Anh Nguyen photo

Education club member face paints for Ha Nguyen at the Block Party, held on the Intramural Fields Saturday. The Block Party was held in honor of Homecoming weekend at Salisbury University.

BY ADEDOYIN JUNAID
Staff Writer

Homecoming week culminated with the block party in Sea Gull Stadium on Saturday.

The party attracted many Salisbury University students and offered community members and alumni a place to come together and celebrate. The positive and friendly atmosphere allowed participants to relax and try new things, ranging from the African Student Association's headtie and face painting workshop to the Asian and Pacific Islander Club's ninja bowling and dragon quest.

Members of on-campus organizations took the initiative to engage attendees of the block party in free activities. Among the activities was Student Nurses Association's game, Pin the Band-Aid on Sammy the Sea Gull, hammering a nail with Habitat for Humanity and the moon bounce from the Student Organization for Activity Planning.

In addition to expanding each participant's knowledge about certain cultures and causes, activities often came with a reward.

Registered Student Organization members thoroughly enjoyed engaging students in fun activities.

Junior SOAP member Kim Nguyen said her favorite part of the day was meeting all the babies at the moon bounce and



Anh Nguyen photo

Maria Ablen puts her Quidditch skills to the test at the Intramural Fields on Saturday. Quidditch was just one of the many activities at the Block Party.

handing out T-shirts to participants. She pointed out that the block party was a better alternative to Punkin Chunkin.

Senior APIC member Sally Hoang added that getting people to participate was rewarding, especially with all the hard work that was put into the development of the activities.

Senior Ashley Broughton pointed out that the block party was efficient in bringing all of the different clubs and the community members together. She noted that the welcoming environment allowed for

people to better interact with one another.

While most participants agreed that the block party was an enjoyable part of the Homecoming festivities, they admitted that a few changes could be made to make it a better experience for all. Hoang, Nguyen and Broughton observed the need for more activities.

"We need" more notification to prepare, and (more) information about what we would be there for us to set-up and what we would have to bring," Hoang said.

'The Servant of Two Masters' to feature improvisation

BY KRISTINA JACKEREAS
Staff Writer

Comedy, improv and clever ridiculousness are just three of the ingredients within the *Comedia mix* of Carlo Goldoni's classic play, "*The Servant of Two Masters*," which will be presented by the department of theatre and dance Nov. 10-13 and 17-20 at 8 p.m. and 2 p.m.

Director Robert Smith chose to do the play because it features different styles of comedy and is an important part of theatre history.

"This play is based around the style of *Comedia*, or scripted improv," Smith said. "Although we have a set script of events, something different can come up at any time during the play, which keeps the audience on their seat and makes everything more exciting."

The story is based on a servant, named Trufaldino, who begins to work for two different masters in order to make more money for food. The play also has a collection of underlying subplots that deal with love, loss, uncertainty and above all, comedy. Smith said that fans of "*Monty Python*" and "*South Park*" will love the play.

"You don't have to think or analyze to enjoy this play," Smith said. "It's pure fun. It's a good example of a mindless release; it takes the humor from the past and present and combines them together."

Smith has directed plays at SU such as "*The Clean House*" last fall, but what makes this play different is its use of improv. Much of what happens depends on the creativity of the actors, Smith said. Much of what will happen on the stage has grown out of the improvisations done during the rehearsals.

The cast of 12 looks forward to using improvisation. Joseph Arnett (Trufaldino) and Chelsea Hines (Beatrice) are eager to put the style to good use.

Arnett predicts that the silliness of the play will make it successful.

"The play really does excite me because of all of the goofy antics constantly going on, especially all of the physical things I get to do," Arnett said. "I think it's going to go really well and be a play the whole audience will have fun with, just as long as we keep working hard to make sure all of our physical stuff is down, which is where I think we are getting to."

Hines is determined to teach the audience her character's witty personality.

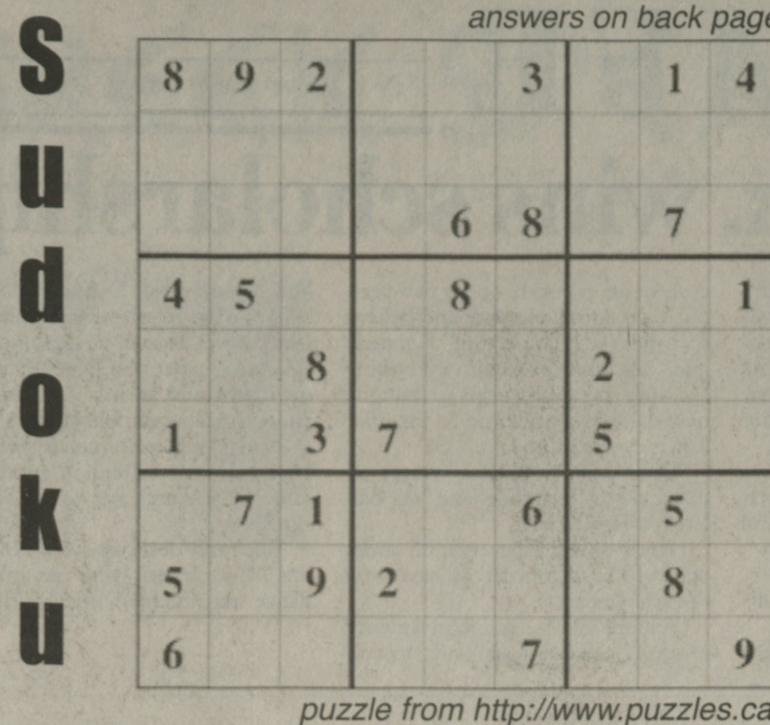
"I think what most excites me about "*Servant...*" is that the role of Beatrice is really challenging me as an actress, (and) I get to learn and grow with such a wonderful group of people," she said.



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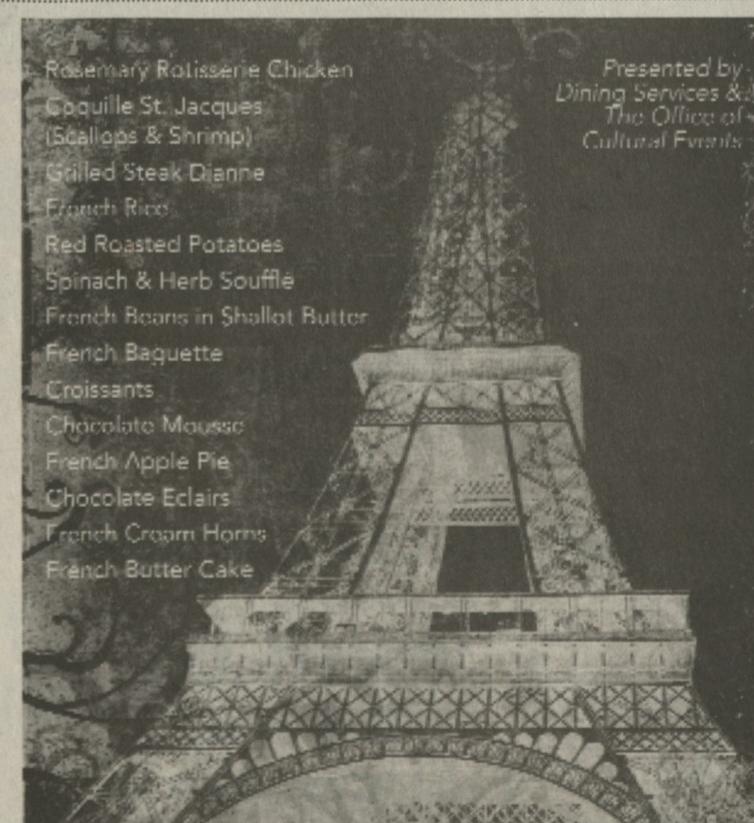
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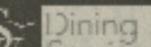
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Health Report

BY

Essential skin care tipsSARAH WOODS
Health Columnist

With puberty in the past and the prospect of wrinkles in the distant future, skin care is not often a major concern for most college students.

However, Student Health Services Director Jennifer Berkman said that preventative skin care is crucial at any age.

"Students don't always think preventively and tend not to worry about things that they see as longer term issues," Berkman said.

She gave college students these three tips:

Minimize dryness

"In the winter especially, students should be using moisturizers to keep skin from becoming too dry," Berkman said, explaining that over-dry skin can cause discomfort. It can also result in an immune response as well as itching.

Avoid ultraviolet exposure

Berkman said that over-tanning can cause major issues.

"Students can neglect or damage their skin

by sunning too much, either outdoors or by using tanning beds," she said.

Many students do not realize that not only does UV exposure cause cancer, but it also contributes to signs of premature aging, such as wrinkles and sun-spots. Although not every person who tans will develop cancer, everyone who has excessive UV exposure will suffer from premature aging.

Prevent infection

Berkman said that contact dermatitis and bacterial skin infections are the most common skin conditions seen at Student Health Services.

Contact dermatitis is an immune response that can result from exposure to poison ivy and poison oak, reactions to hair dyes, metals in jewelry and fragrances in shampoos, detergents and other household products. It can result in hives or a rash.

Berkman said that the best way to avoid this condition is to protect skin while outdoors and be careful about changing skin care products or detergents. She added that contact dermatitis can be prevented by sanitizing athletic equipment and maintaining personal hygiene. She also recommended regular household cleaning.

The American Academy of Dermatology has declared November as Healthy Skin Month in order to raise awareness of commonly overlooked skin problems. For more information about maintaining healthy skin, visit the American Academy of Dermatology's website, www.aad.org.

SPORTS

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SU FIELD HOCKEY CAPTURES 16TH CACBY STEPHEN BERSTLER JR
Staff Writer

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Senior forward Caitlin Walker drives the offense against the York College Spartans on Wednesday. The Gulls won the game 6-0 and advanced to the Capital Athletic Conference championship against Wesley College, which they won on Saturday 5-1.

The Sea Gulls (17-1) did just that, taking home their 16th CAC Championship after defeating the aforementioned Wesley College (12-9) 5-1 on CAC Championship Saturday.

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"It definitely feels good to have it (the CAC title) back home where it belongs," said senior goalkeeper Anna Cooke.

The game couldn't have started any better for SU with senior back McGovern putting the Sea Gulls on the board 10 minutes into the game. McGovern finished the game with a goal and two assists.

"We worked extra hard preparing for that game, especially after the game (vs. Wesley) last year," McGovern said.

The extra preparation certainly paid off. At the 22-minute mark, McGovern found junior forward Kristin Fusco, who hit the top shelf of the net to expand the Sea Gull lead to 2-0.

In last year's semifinal match-up, Wesley neutralized the Sea Gulls offense to only nine shots. This year, Salisbury registered 10 shots in the first half alone, which gave Wesley goalie Elizabeth Groom and the rest

disrupted that plan with an unanswered goal only four minutes in.

Along with McGovern, senior goalkeeper Anna Cooke, senior back Shannon Hannatty and junior back Amber Holland displayed why they're one of the best defensive units in the country, holding All-Re-

gion forward Madison Leone and the rest of the Wolverine offense to only eight shots.

SU found the back of the net one more time when junior Erica Henderson hammered home a pass from senior Courtney Webster to give SU a 5-0 advantage.

"We are on a mission this year and CAC's was one of the first things on the list... we are real happy capturing an NCAAC bid," said head coach Dawn Chamberlin.

The Sea Gulls have a bye in the first round before hosting the second and third round games.

Soccer wins 4th CAC

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Senior forward Amanda Miele goes for a header against the University of Mary Washington Eagles on Wednesday. The Gulls won the match 3-2 as well as the CAC championship on Saturday against St. Mary's College 1-0.

BY ALEXANDRIA YOUNG
Staff Writer

The Gulls captured their fourth Capital Athletic Conference title since 2006 with a 1-0 win against St. Mary's College in overtime.

Give-and-go's, connected passes and the desire to win all described why the Salisbury University women's soccer team won on Saturday at the SU Soccer Complex.

Winning seven of their last eight conference games, the women headed into the championship game seeded No. 1 in the CAC. The only goal scored came from a corner kick by junior forward Sarah Pfundstein to junior midfielder Bonnie Sandone.

"Getting the winning goal feels awesome; we worked so hard all season," Sandone said.

As the game got underway, the Sea Gulls had

more than 10 shots on goal in regulation, out-

shooting St. Mary's throughout the entire game. The defense, lead by freshman goalkeeper Michelle Conrad, held strong and kept the Sea Hawks scoreless.

"We worked hard, had great communication and the defense had a lot of heart," Conrad said.

At the end of regulation, the teams were deadlocked at 0-0, resulting in 10-minute golden goal overtime. Six minutes into overtime, a corner kick from Pfundstein found Sandone, who headed it straight into the net.

"It was a great turnaround from last year's record, knowing we had the capability of doing better with hard work and dedication," said head coach Jim Nestor.

Finishing the season with a 13-5-2 record, the SU women's soccer team is now CAC champion and plays Wheaton College on Saturday in the first round.

"We were focused on stopping their quarterback for most of the game and have them try to beat us by other means," said

Salisbury football locks up DIII tournament bid

BY COREY SZNAJDER
Web Content Coordinator

The 11th ranked Salisbury University Sea Gulls (8-1, 6-0 conf.) got the win they needed over the St. John Fisher Cardinals (7-2, 5-1 conf.) to clinch an automatic bid into the Division III tournament with a 41-21 victory in the annual Homecoming Game.

The Gulls set the tone early with a 15 play, 86-yard drive that ended in a four-yard touchdown run by senior Ross Flanagan, eating up nine minutes of the clock in the process.

"We got the ball first, so we went in with the mentality that we were going to score on our first drive, especially since we were going up against a good offense," said junior quarterback Dan Griffin.

St. John Fisher's third-ranked offense was able to move the ball down the field, but was ultimately shut out in the first half. Their final drive of the half was cut short by an interception from junior linebacker Kevin Costello.

Although the Cardinals were 90 percent effective in the red zone coming into this game, the Sea Gulls defense allowed them to score only once on six entries.

"The defense really stood their ground in the first half," said head coach Sherman Wood. "(St. John Fisher) scored 63 points the last week and has one of the best offenses in the nation, so being able to shut them out in the first half was huge."

The Sea Gull defense also forced a fumble on the first Cardinals possession of the second half and turned it into another touchdown to take a 21-0 lead in the third quarter. SU maintained at least a 14-point lead after the first half.

"We were focused on stopping their quarterback for most of the game and have them try to beat us by other means," said

senior linebacker Jamey McClendon.

The automatic bid to the Division III tournament is locked up, but SU still has one game left on its schedule against Frostburg State for the Regents Cup.

"Every time, it's a new week and the score goes back to 0-0, so we still need to prepare for next week and then focus on the tournament," said senior running back Randal Smidley.

Salisbury will play Frostburg for the Regents Cup on Saturday at Sea Gull Stadium at a time to be announced later.

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Junior quarterback Dan Griffin takes off during the Homecoming game on Saturday afternoon. The Gulls won over St. John Fisher 41-21.

SU volleyball takes home championship

BY PATRICK DRENGWITZ
Sports Editor

The Salisbury University women's volleyball team is now a championship-winning squad. The team snatched the title against Stevenson University in three straight games.

Key blocks from juniors Chelsea Gowack, Jenna Shay and Carly Todd, to name a few, sent the town crowd into a frenzy. The Stevenson University Mustangs were endlessly plagued by the relentless SU defense and were sent scrambling for powerful kills from almost

every Sea Gull that played.

Todd scored the first point of the night after a well-placed kill, foreshadowing what was still to come from the top-ranked team. Huge hustle was also visible as the Sea Gulls dove all over the court, digging shots that looked to be easy points for the Mustangs.

"The best thing we did tonight was our setting," Todd said. "We worked hard on it in practice and we took swings at balls even if they were off net. We took chances and eventually, they paid off."

Head Coach Marge Knight joined the team in celebration toward the end of the third and final game, before the victory was even made complete.

"Our blocks were fantastic, Knight said. "We put up an absolute wall, and it was so great to see that defense."

With the win comes SU's seventh Capital Athletic Conference volleyball title and entry into the NCAAs tournament, where they drew Gallaudet University in the first round.

The game is set for Saturday at Christopher Newport University.

The time will be announced later in the week. Check www.susuegars.com for game times.

SALISBURY SPORTS CALENDAR

Wednesday - 11/9 Swimming at Washington 5:30 PM Field Hockey TBA (NCAA First Round) TBA	Thursday - 11/10 Volleyball at TBD (NCAA Regionals) TBA	Saturday - 11/12 Swimming at Catholic 1:00 PM Cross Country at NCAA MidEast Regional (Center Valley, Pa.) 11:00 AM Football Frostburg St. * (Regents Cup/TBA) Field Hockey TBA (NCAA Second Round) TBA Volleyball at TBD (NCAA Regionals) TBA
Friday - 11/11 Volleyball at TBD (NCAA Regionals) TBA	Sunday - 11/13 Field Hockey TBA (NCAA Quarterfinal) TBA	

man down when junior midfielder Jimmy Mundy received a red card. The Gulls had to push even harder after the penalty, but the defense still held off another goal, thanks to Cornish, who retrieved or stole almost every ball that came his way.

"We are definitely one of the better teams in the country. I hope we can get in for our seniors and the players that worked hard," said head coach Gerry DiBartolo.

The Sea Gulls play Neumann College on Thursday at the SU Soccer Complex at 1 p.m.

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